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NSSC Vision: Unparalleled Service

NSSC Mission: "To provide timely, accurate, high quality, cost effective and customer-focused support for selected NASA business and technical services."

Potential NSSC sites announced

On January 7 a press release was issued announcing the three potential NSSC sites remaining in the competitive process, they are: Glenn Research Center, Marshall Space Flight Center and Stennis Space Center.

The selection of sites was coupled with the competitive process meaning that Offerors were asked to select a site along with their proposal for the commercial activities. There were six sites from which Offerors had to choose, all were on or near a NASA Center.

The information in the press release has significant implications to communities and employees. Please contact your NSSC Center Transition Team members to understand the implications of this announcement to your Center's transition planning.

Center Transition Team names and contact information are listed on <http://nssc.nasa.gov/>

New Procurement Lead

Until such time as the NSSC is staffed with its own employees, the Agency Transition Team is led by detailees from NASA Centers and from Headquarters. We have been fortunate in obtaining the services of our many detailees, whose assignments with NSSC have varied from months to years in duration.

For the past year, the Procurement Transition Team has been led by Rita Svarcas, a Headquarters employee. Rita's detail to the NSSC team is soon coming to an end, as she will be starting a new assignment at Langley Research Center in February 2005, under the auspices of NASA's Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program.

Jamiel Commodore will be replacing Rita as the Procurement Transition Team lead. Jamiel, a Headquarters employee, arrived at NSSC in November 2004, and has been quickly getting up to speed on NSSC projects and activities.

Best wishes Rita and welcome Jamiel!

NSSC upcoming VITS

January 13, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm EST

Feb 17, 3:30 - 5:00 pm EST

March 17, 1:00 - 3:00 pm EST

Remaining Center visits

Jan 19 - Ames; Jan 20- Dryden

Thoughts on change

Adapting to your environment and growing requires change; it is a necessary and essential aspect of life, and taking a proactive approach to change is the best way to take charge of the future.

In general people deal with change in one of three ways: by resisting, following or leading. A resister tries to stay put, which is impossible in changing situations; the majority of people and organizations who start by resisting eventually find that they have to follow, and trying to catch up leaves them at a disadvantage. Anticipating change and being involved early is actually the best posture, it allows you to have choices and plan ahead.

We know that NSSC is coming and we encourage you to approach it with an open mind and seek to understand the implication of the change on you and your work. In addition, the Agency and Center Transition Teams are committed to providing you with timely information and resources.